

## **ALEXANDRA DAPOLITO DUNN**

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, REGION 1 NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR**

**Boston, MA  
2018 – Present**

- Appointed by Administrator E. Scott Pruitt on 11/16/17 to oversee federal environmental protection efforts in the states of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont and ten tribal nations. Sworn in 1/7/18, currently oversee office with \$350 million budget and 530 FTE career employees.
- Proven amplifier of the Trump Administration's deregulatory, cooperative federalism, and infrastructure agenda via collaborative and effective relationships with gubernatorial appointed state environmental protection officials, timely response to state requests, advancing lean and outcome oriented solutions at complex environmental sites, and promoting infrastructure investment and economic development opportunities; implemented proactive steps at over 15 Superfund sites in five months to advance Administrator Pruitt's *Superfund Task Force* recommendations.
- Cultivated productive and effective relationships with entire New England Congressional delegation.
- Frequent articulate representative of Administration in print media, and on radio and television; dynamic presenter of Administration's priorities before business, non-profit, academic, municipal, and entrepreneurial organizations.
- Regional leader of EPA's *Environmental Justice and Community Revitalization Council*, overseeing expedited development and implementation of a *New England Integrated Lead Protection Strategy*, and developing first regional summit on per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL OF THE STATES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & GENERAL COUNSEL**

**Washington, DC  
2014 – 2018**

- Recruited by Board to remake 501(c)(6) organization and 501(c)(3) affiliate *Environmental Research Institute of the States*; represented interests of gubernatorial appointed U.S. state and territorial environmental commissioners.
- Keen ability to cultivate and present in oral and written format meaningful policy positions across all areas of environmental law including infrastructure, chemicals management, enforcement, water, air, and land policy; advance advocacy initiatives, and participate in federal administrative and other forums, while maintaining support of significantly diverse membership.
- Transformative leader known for adapting and guiding organizations to meet future challenges via critical assessment of strategic, organizational, staffing, and fiscal approaches, followed by design and implementation of modernizing changes, while remaining in coordination with governing boards and motivating internal teams.
- Proven in developing partnerships, alliances, and leveraged relationships to maximize effectiveness, recognition, fiscal sustainability, and substantive impact on priority issues; known for establishing productive collaborations with Congress, agencies, business, and non-governmental organizations.
- Efficiently oversaw operations, investments, budgets, personnel, policies, sponsorships, grants, online presence, fundraising, revenue strategies, board relations, strategic planning and alliances, conferences, and media.

#### **ASSOCIATION OF CLEAN WATER ADMINISTRATORS**

**Washington, DC, 2010 – 2014**

Drafted as Executive Director and General Counsel to rebuild 501(c)(3) non-profit organization of the 50 state and six interstate water directors. Engaged in legislative, regulatory, and policy advocacy on a full portfolio of issues impacting state water programs; cultivated extensive partnerships. Developed strategic plan, built an expert staff and involved state leaders, launched website and social media, and obtained multi-year funding and enhanced revenue.

#### **PACE UNIVERSITY, ELISABETH HAUB SCHOOL OF LAW**

**White Plains, NY, 2007 – 2010**

As Dean of Environmental Law Programs and Adjunct Professor of Law, directed third ranked in the U.S. environmental law program and its *Center for Environmental Legal Studies*; designed LL.M. and J.D. courses; oversaw Brazil and China programs, student advising, alumni, budgets, and alliances. Leader in *Academy for Applied Environmental Studies*; *Center on Resolution of Environmental Interest Disputes*; and *Environmental Consortium of Hudson Valley Colleges & Universities*.

**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLEAN WATER AGENCIES**

**Washington, DC, 2001 – 2007**

First in-house General Counsel of non-profit organization of municipalities providing wastewater treatment for the majority of the U.S. population. Cultivated expertise in infrastructure, financing, legislation, and enforcement. Interacted with federal agencies, Congress, media, nongovernmental organizations, and municipal counsel and engineers, worked with Board and committees, prepared testimony for commissions and scientific bodies; oversaw a high volume litigation portfolio. Developed workshops, conferences, and resources of significant member value.

**AMERICAN CHEMISTRY COUNCIL**

**Arlington, VA, 1996 – 2001**

Counsel responsible for litigation, legislative work, and regulatory counseling on air and Superfund issues for companies comprising 90% of U.S. chemical production, managed cases in U.S. Supreme Court and federal courts.

**WINSTON & STRAWN**

**Washington, DC, 1994 – 1996**

Counsel to business clients on environmental litigation, legislation, and regulation. Summer Associate, 1993.

**REPRESENTATIVE PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**SPEAKING:** Over 20 Keynote Addresses in five months as Regional Administrator for EPA New England; Risk Evaluation & Preemption under the *Lautenberg Chemical Safety for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act* (Gradient/Covington 2017); The New *Toxic Substances Control Act*: What All Environmental Lawyers Need to Know (ALI 2017), *Testimony*, Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, Coal Ash Legislation (2015).

**PUBLICATIONS:** *Publicly Owned Treatment Works*, chapter in CLEAN WATER ACT HANDBOOK (ABA 2018) (w/Gardner-Andrews, Waters); *The Business of Water*, 47 ELR 10004 (2017) (w/Panelists); *The Lawyers' Role in Representing Communities*, chapter in ETHICS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PRACTICE (ABA 2017) (w/Heineken); *The Price of Reform: Models for Financing a Toxic Substances Control Act 2.0*, 45 ELR 10405 (2015) (w/Panelists); *Reflections on the Role of States in the U.S. Regulatory System*, 32 PACE ENVTL. L. REV. 435 (2015) (w/Culleen); *Advancing the Environmental Rule of Law*, 21 SW. J. INT'L L. 283 (2015) (w/Stillman); *Perspectives to Reininvigorate Clean Water Act Cooperative Federalism*, 4 GEO. WASH. J. ENERGY & ENVTL. L. 68 (2013) (w/Boian); *Environmental Justice in Permitting: State Innovations*, 81 MISS. L. J. 747 (2012) (w/Weiss); *Siting Green Infrastructure: Solutions to Promote Healthy Communities*, 37 B.C. ENVTL. AFF. L. REV. 41 (2010).

**CASES:** Represented parties, intervenors, or *amicus* in over 25 environmental cases, including *National Ass'n of Home Builders v. Defenders of Wildlife*, 549 U.S. 1105 (2007); *South Florida Water Management District v. Miccosukee Tribe of Indians*, 541 U.S. 95 (2004); *Whitman v. American Trucking Associations, Inc. et al.*, 531 U.S. 457 (2001); *Appalachian Power Co. v. EPA*, 208 F.3d 1015 (D.C. Cir. 2000).

**LEADERSHIP:** Board of Regents, *American College of Environmental Lawyers* (2016-2017); Executive Committee, *Environmental Law Institute* (2014-2017); first non-profit and second youngest Chair of *ABA Section of Environment, Energy, and Resources* (2013-2014); Fellow, *American Bar Foundation*.

**TEACHING, LICENSES & EDUCATION**

*Associate Adjunct Professor of Law*, American University Washington College of Law (2015, 2016); *Lecturer in Law*, Catholic University of America, Columbus School of Law (2012, 2013).

Admitted before U.S. Supreme Court and federal courts; licensed in MD, DC, and NY.

**COLUMBUS SCHOOL OF LAW**, Catholic University of America, DC, Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*, 1994. Editor-in-Chief, *Catholic University Law Review*; Faculty Award for *Outstanding Woman Law Graduate*.

**JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY**, Harrisonburg, Virginia, B.A., Political Science & French, *cum laude*, 1989.